Connecting with the Common Core: Montana's New Alternate Assessment

With the implementation of the Montana Common Core Standards, there is a need to create a new alternate assessment, based on alternate achievement standards that address the inclusion of Montana's students with the most significant cognitive disabilities in the MCCS. The National Center and State Collaborative (NCSC) is a project supported by a GSEG grant, led by 5 centers and 26 states, charged with building a new alternate assessment. This session will provide an overview of the new alternate assessment system, alternate achievement standards, professional development opportunities, and instructional resources for educators who work with Montana's students with significant cognitive disabilities.